

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A bracket apparatus for connecting and supporting a beam of a walkway and a helical anchor, comprising:
  - 5 a beam restrainer portion having a generally horizontally extending bottom plate for supporting a beam and at least one generally vertically extending side plate for attachment to the beam;
  - a generally vertically extending shaft having an upper end attached to said bottom plate and a lower end, said shaft including a connecting plate attached
  - 10 thereto and extending radially therefrom; and
  - a connector assembly having an upper end releasably connected to said connecting plate and a lower end adapted to be connected to an upper end of a helical anchor.
- 15 2. The bracket apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said connecting plate extends in a plane angled from a plane in which said bottom plate extends.
3. The bracket apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said connecting plate extends radially at an angle from a longitudinal axis of said beam restrainer portion.
- 20 4. The bracket apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said connecting plate is welded to said shaft.
5. The bracket apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said connector assembly
- 25 includes a threaded rod having an upper end and a lower end, said upper end extending through an aperture formed in said connecting plate and being releasably attached to said connecting plate by a pair of nuts threadably engaging said rod.
6. The bracket apparatus according to claim 5 wherein said lower end is attached
- 30 to a bracket by another pair of nuts threadably engaging said rod.

7. The bracket apparatus according to claim 6 wherein said bracket is generally U-shaped for receiving the upper end of the helical anchor.

8. The bracket apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said at least one side plate of said beam restrainer portion includes a plurality of apertures formed therein, said apertures operable to receive fasteners for securing the beam to said at least one side plate.

9. A bracket for use in supporting a walkway comprising:  
a bracket including a beam restrainer having a generally horizontally extending  
10 bottom plate for supporting a beam and at least one generally vertically  
extending side plate for attachment to the beam, a generally vertically  
extending shaft having an upper end attached to said bottom plate, and a  
connecting plate attached to and extending radially from said shaft in a  
plane angled from a plane of said bottom plate; and  
15 a connector assembly including a threaded rod having an upper end releasably  
attached to said connecting plate and a lower end, and a bracket releasably  
attached to said rod in a selected one of a plurality of position, said bracket  
adapted to be attached to an end of a helical anchor.

20 10. The bracket according to claim 9 wherein said connecting plate extends radially  
at an angle from a longitudinal axis of said beam restrainer.

11. A walkway supporting bracket and anchor apparatus comprising:  
a screw anchor having an upper end with an aperture formed therein;  
25 a connector assembly having a lower end releasably attached to said screw anchor  
upper end by a fastener extending through said aperture; and  
a bracket assembly releasably attached to an upper end of said connector assembly  
for transferring a load applied to said bracket to said helical anchor.

30 12. The apparatus according to claim 11 wherein said connector assembly includes  
a generally U-shaped bracket having a pair of legs, said upper end of said screw anchor  
extending between said legs and said fastener extending through said legs.

13. The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein said connector assembly includes a threaded rod releasably attached at a lower end to said generally U-shaped bracket and releasably attached at an upper end to said bracket assembly.

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14. The apparatus according to claim 11 wherein said bracket assembly includes a beam restrainer having a generally horizontally extending bottom plate for supporting a beam and at least one generally vertically extending side plate for attachment to the beam, a generally vertically extending shaft having an upper end attached to said bottom  
10 plate, and a connecting plate attached to and extending radially from said shaft in a plane angled from a plane of said bottom plate, said connecting plate being releasably attached to said upper end of said connector assembly.